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July 19, 1984

The Honorable Jeremiah Denton
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Denton:

This is in response to your letter of 3 July 1984 requesting access to Mr. Sporkin's security file, and is a follow up to our subsequent conversation of 10 July. As I believe I indicated on the phone, it is a general and longstanding policy of the Agency not to provide access to its security files to non-intelligence personnel or to provide security information to other agencies except when such agencies are conducting background investigations on current or former CIA employees.

With respect to Mr. Sporkin, I have been informed that the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been in touch with our Office of Security and was provided the necessary security information to successfully complete its background investigation of Mr. Sporkin prior to his nomination to the federal bench. Nonetheless upon receipt of your letter, I asked our Director of Security to review the file; in his words, Mr. Sporkin's file, including his polygraph record, was "clean as a whistle."

I am most reluctant to break precedent by making the file itself available, but if you have any remaining concerns, please get back to me and I will arrange to have the Office of Security give you a personal briefing on the matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "William J. Casey".

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence

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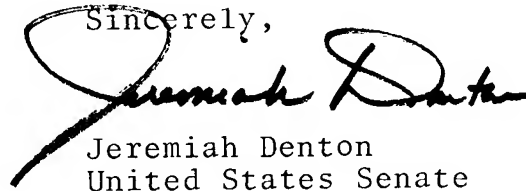
Honorable William V. Casey
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
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Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Director:

In connection with the nomination of Stanley Sporkin to the U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia, I am taking the responsibility, as a member of the Judiciary Committee, of reviewing Mr. Sporkin's qualifications and record. In this regard it would be most useful for me and key members of my staff to review Mr. Sporkin's security file that is maintained by the CIA's internal Office of Security. I am particularly interested in reviewing the results of any interviews with the aid of a polygraph administered to Mr. Sporkin; the interpretation of those results by qualified polygraph examiner(s); and any audio and/or video tape recordings of those interviews that were made. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Richard Holcomb of my staff at 224-6136.

Your anticipated assistance in providing me copies of such file is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,


Jeremiah Denton
United States Senate

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